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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 5214

**[Report No. 113-683]**

To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide for recommendations for the development and use of clinical data registries for the improvement of patient care.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2014

Mr. OLSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on July 28, 2014]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND**  
4 **USE OF CLINICAL DATA REGISTRIES.**

5 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the*  
6 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health*  
7 *and Human Services shall make recommendations for the*  
8 *development and use, when appropriate, of clinical data*  
9 *registries that are integrated with clinical practice guide-*  
10 *lines and best practices or standards of care, including rec-*  
11 *ommendations designed to minimize duplication and bur-*  
12 *den on those operating or reporting to such registries, for*  
13 *the improvement of patient care. The Secretary shall make*  
14 *such recommendations available to the public by posting*  
15 *them on a public Website of the Department of Health and*  
16 *Human Services.*

17 *(b) SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS.—Such rec-*  
18 *ommendations, with respect to such registries, shall include*  
19 *the following:*

20 *(1) Recommendations for a set of standards that,*  
21 *if adopted by such registries, would allow for the*  
22 *bidirectional, interoperable exchange of information*  
23 *between the electronic health records of the reporting*  
24 *clinicians and such registries.*

1           (2) *Recommendations on how clinical registries,*  
2 *including outcomes-based registries, may be developed*  
3 *and then used to evaluate various care models and*  
4 *methods, including improved clinical care coordina-*  
5 *tion, and the impact of such models and methods on*  
6 *the management of diseases as measured by appro-*  
7 *prate care parameters based on clinical practice*  
8 *guidelines and best practices (such as A1C, blood*  
9 *pressure, and cholesterol levels in the case of diabetes).*

10           (3) *Recommendations on how such registries*  
11 *should be structured to facilitate—*

12                   (A) *the recording and reporting of post-*  
13 *market data for the purposes of monitoring safe-*  
14 *ty and efficacy of FDA-approved devices and*  
15 *drugs;*

16                   (B) *the reporting of relevant clinical data to*  
17 *satisfy attestation requirements for coverage of*  
18 *prescribed devices; and*

19                   (C) *coverage with evidence development*  
20 *policies for devices under the Medicare program*  
21 *(such as improving patient access to safe and ef-*  
22 *fective glucose monitoring systems).*

23           (4) *Recommendations on how data from such*  
24 *registries may be used to inform physicians and other*  
25 *health care professionals regarding clinical practices*

1       *for the prevention of diseases (such as diabetes and*  
2       *the precursor conditions of diabetes) and appropriate*  
3       *methods for the dissemination of clinical practice sup-*  
4       *port tools and other educational resources that may be*  
5       *derived from registry data.*

6               (5) *Recommendations for how registries can be*  
7       *used to promote preventive health benefits such as*  
8       *screenings and the Medicare annual wellness visits*  
9       *that may reduce the risk of chronic diseases (such as*  
10       *obesity, osteoporosis, cardiovascular disease, cancer,*  
11       *diabetes and their complications).*

12       (c) *CONSULTATION WITH CLINICAL EXPERTS.—The*  
13       *Secretary shall consult with national medical specialty so-*  
14       *cieties, patient groups, technology vendors, and developers*  
15       *and manufacturers of drugs and medical devices in the de-*  
16       *velopment of such recommendations as they relate to the*  
17       *diseases that members of such societies manage and treat*  
18       *(such as with endocrinologists with respect to recommenda-*  
19       *tions relating to diabetes and pre-diabetes conditions).*

20       (d) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section*  
21       *may be construed as—*

22               (1) *authorizing the Secretary of Health and*  
23       *Human Services to take any action with regard to the*  
24       *recommendations made under this section (other than*

1       *making such recommendations available to the public*  
2       *in the manner described in subsection (a));*

3               *(2) limiting or interfering with the authority of*  
4       *a health care practitioner to practice medicine or to*  
5       *prescribe or administer a drug or device to an indi-*  
6       *vidual for a condition or disease; or*

7               *(3) providing the Centers for Medicare & Med-*  
8       *icaid Services with authority to limit (or to encour-*  
9       *age other individuals or entities to limit) coverage*  
10       *under the Medicare program under title XVIII of the*  
11       *Social Security Act for an item or service furnished*  
12       *to an individual on account of the participation, or*  
13       *lack of participation, of the individual in a registry*  
14       *or other data collection system.*



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